GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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SPURIOUS DRUGS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) suffers for want of adequate staff to implement and check the spurious drugs operating in the country;

(b) if so, whether the Government are considering the revival of CDSCO;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is freeze on refresh recruits to this Organisation; and

(e) if so, the concrete steps taken/proposed to ease the situation?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a) Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) is responsible forapproval of New Drugs, Import of drugs, Standardization of drugs, approval of licences of Blood Bank, LVP and Vaccine and Sera Units.Empowerment of Drugs & Cosmetics Act 1940 and Rules 1945 rest with States which includes detection of spurious drugs.

(b)to(e)Approval for revival of 39 lapsed posts and creation of 82 new posts are under process in consultation with Ministry of Finance. There is no order with regard to freezing of fresh recruitment.